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About the Cover

Andy Allen, who will graduate in May with a degree in accounting, pauses for a few minutes of prayer. After the majority of students have cleared out of the Founder's Memorial Amphitorium each day after chapel, some remain behind in the quiet for a few minutes of prayer or reflection on the chapel message. Students also look forward to a Day of Prayer each semester (see p. 20).

HEADLINES

GIVING DUE HONOR: ACCOLADES FOR STUDENTS AND GRADS

Jay Albright, a senior radio and TV broadcasting major, **won first place in the Television Sports News Reporting** category in the Broadcaster Education Association District II Student Video Competition.

Deanna Moore of the BJU faculty completed her **doctorate from the University of South Carolina** in Columbia last spring. A student of Scott Price, she completed four degree recitals and defended her dissertation titled "Hyacinthe Jadin's Concerti for Pianoforte." Deanna and her husband, Dr. Michael Moore, teach on BJU's music faculty.

Natalie Chavers, a graduate assistant pursuing an M.A. in graphic design, designed the children's book *Joseph: The Favored Son* for the Museum & Gallery at BJU last year. In November, the book received the **Silver award** in the Books and Exhibition Catalogues category of the **Southeastern Museums Conference's 19th Annual Publication Design Competition.**

RTV faculty member **David Lurtey** won **an award from the Broadcast Education Association's Broadcast and Internet Radio Division** for his long-form radio production of "God With Us," an adaptation of a 2004 Christmas program presented at Heritage Bible Church in Greer, S.C. The BEA's 2006 Festival of Media Arts Faculty Competition recognized David for his work in mixing more than 20 microphones for choir, orchestra and narration. David has taught in BJU's radio and television department for 20 years.

At the December Intercollegiate Debate Tournament hosted by Transylvania University, the BJU team composed of **Matthew Baker** and **Michael Bixby** placed **first in the Open Division.** The team of **Lydia Bottom** and **Louretta Landon** placed third in the novice division, and Lydia received the **first-place speaker award** in the Novice Division. Matthew and Michael won **first place** at all three tournaments the BJU debate team attended during the fall of 2006.

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The Collegian

A new issue of *The Collegian* is posted online every Thursday during the school year. The eight-page newspaper includes campus news, feature stories about student activities and trends, student surveys and intramural sports scores. Written and designed entirely by students, *The Collegian* is an inside look at what's going on at BJU from a student perspective.

Direct link: www.bju.edu/collegian

Andrea Herbster, a junior graphic design major from South Bend, Ind., **won first place** out of 500 entries in the Indiana Toll Road logo contest, sponsored by Fish Marketing and open to students enrolled in any accredited educational program. Andrea received $5,000 for education-related expenses.

INDIANA TOLL ROAD

BJ HomeSat teachers **Evanna Walker** and **Sarah Lawson** received a **Gold Award from the United States Distance Learning Association** for their work with K5 Beginnings, and **Debra Overly** received a **Gold Award** for her work with **4th grade English.** Gold Awards are given for outstanding, comprehensive programming that designs and delivers the best practices in distance learning for an individual program or series of programs.

Dr. Amy Tuck, '94 composite science education grad, was recently **awarded a second patent** for work that she completed in conjunction with the Greenville Hospital System while a graduate and post-graduate student at Clemson University. Her first patent was related to studying the effect of UV-C light on the lymphocytes of chronic lymphocytic leukemia patients, and her second patent extended the first patent to all leukemias. Amy is currently teaching science at Tabernacle Baptist College.

In October, the **BJU Mock Trial Team** competed at the University of South Carolina-Upstate in Spartanburg, S.C. The two BJU teams finished in **first and second place. Shiloh Hudson, Carey Nelson** and **David Williams** won individual awards as outstanding witnesses, and **Stephen Freeland, Rebecca Gaal, Tim Silvester** and **Matt Miller** won individual awards as outstanding attorneys.

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ACCREDITATION: *what and why*

The 18-member accrediting commission of the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) voted unanimously on Nov. 7, 2006, to grant institutional accreditation to Bob Jones University. What does that mean for BJU? Dr. Gary Weier, BJU's vice president for administration, answers questions about accreditation.

What sort of accreditation has BJU been granted? There are basically two kinds of accreditation, specialized and institutional. Specialized accreditation approves specific types of programs, such as business or engineering. Institutional accreditation, which is the kind BJU has been granted, gives approval to everything about a college that affects students—including recruitment and admissions policies, curriculum, faculty, finances, athletics, food service and student housing. The U.S. Department of Education approves 18 institutional accrediting agencies—some national and others regional—including TRACS, the national agency BJU chose.

What is distinctive about TRACS? BJU chose to pursue institutional accreditation through TRACS because it is a Christian agency that supports the efforts of Christian colleges to promote a biblical worldview among their students. Peer review is a key element of accreditation, and the academic professionals on the TRACS accrediting commission are sympathetic to BJU's mission. TRACS comprises 53 Christian educational institutions.

What is the role of the accrediting agency? Will it interfere with BJU's administration and board? The job of an institutional accrediting agency is to ensure that its member schools are fulfilling their stated missions and to encourage them to find ways to improve what they're doing. Rather than telling us what to do, the agency asks us what we want to accomplish, and then they help us make sure we are being successful at that.

Why has BJU not pursued accreditation before now? In the past, accreditation through secular agencies was our only option, and it was not an acceptable one because the agencies had predetermined criteria that didn't match our goals at BJU. Obviously, BJU is distinctive from secular universities; joining with them and submitting ourselves to their requirements could serve to negate those distinctives.

In addition, accreditation philosophy has undergone significant change across the board over the past 10 years. Rather than assessing colleges using arbitrary standards, accrediting commissions now assess colleges based on the colleges' mission statements and goals. That procedure is more in line with our educational philosophy.

After observing TRACS for several years and seeing it become recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, we became confident that it is an agency that would lend credibility to what BJU has been doing all along while supporting and not undermining our independence, core values or mission.

What are the benefits of accreditation for BJU and its students? The first major benefit for BJU is the accountability that comes with accreditation: the requirements for maintaining it will keep a healthy pressure on us to assess often whether we are fulfilling our mission and achieving our goals. Second, the pressure will drive us to continuous, systematic improvement of everything we do here at BJU, from academic programs to

strategic planning to facilities and operations.

For the students, there are also a number of benefits. Some BJU grads faced difficulties in the past because they had graduated from a non-accredited university, although many can testify to how God nonetheless opened doors for excellent jobs and further education, sometimes in miraculous ways. The BJU administration is pleased, however, that by having obtained accreditation we are now able to ease the way for our students without compromising our core values.

Another benefit is ease of acceptance to grad schools: because holding an undergrad degree from an accredited university is a basic requirement for entrance into many graduate programs, accreditation may open up more grad school opportunities for BJU grads. In addition, accreditation makes transfer of credits to other colleges easier and more likely (though not guaranteed). Finally, some jobs, particularly those in government and education, require the applicant to hold a degree from an accredited college.

What about financial aid—will BJU's accreditation allow students to apply for scholarships and loans previously unavailable to them?

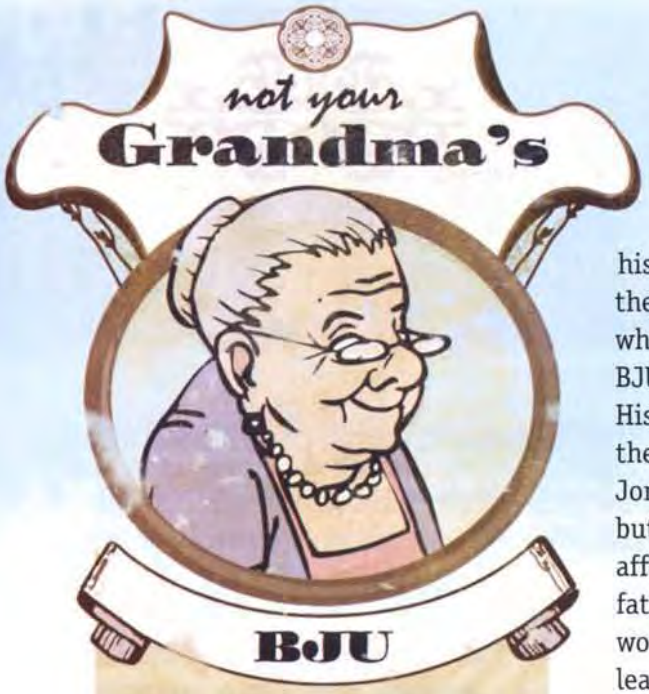
BJU has applied for Title IV status, which will enable students and their parents to apply for federal financial aid (check bju.edu for the latest news about our approval status). Financial aid linked to Title IV status includes:

1) Grants, most significantly the Pell Grant
2) Low-interest and deferred loans for both students and parents
3) Tuition-free tax credits, which allow parents to claim tuition costs on their federal income tax returns
4) College 529 savings plans, which allow parents to save college money for their children tax-free

Accreditation also opens up new private sources for scholarships and other financial aid—such as programs offered by community groups, foundations, and companies where students' parents work—that specify that funds may be used only at an accredited college.

It seems that the primary reason for obtaining accreditation is that it enables BJU to fulfill its mission more effectively. What is that mission?

"Within the cultural and academic soil of liberal arts higher education, BJU exists to grow Christlike character that is scripturally disciplined; others-serving; God-loving; Christ-proclaiming; and focused Above." Accreditation forces us to examine ourselves constantly in terms of our mission and our nine institutional goals (see www.bju.edu/about/goals.html). Our membership in TRACS is voluntary, of course, and we can withdraw at any time if we determine that membership is hurting or limiting us. At this point in our history, however, we are grateful that God has led our steps to obtain accreditation through TRACS as a means of helping us fulfill our mission.



In some families, attending Bob Jones University is as much a tradition as turkey dinners at Thanksgiving or summer vacations in the mountains. This year's student body includes nearly 300 third-generation students—students who have at least one parent and at least one grandparent who attended BJU before them. In some cases, a web of aunts, uncles and cousins have also attended the family alma mater.

Roy Barton, who served as BJU's chief financial officer from 1974 until his retirement in 2004, was the fifth of six Barton children who all came from Maine to BJU in the 1940s and '50s. His oldest sister, Joyce, was the first: she had seen a Bob Jones College ad in a magazine but knew the family couldn't afford to send her there. Their father, however, decided they would try to send her for at least one year. "So we younger kids worked hard and pooled our money," Dr. Barton says. With their sacrifice, Joyce was able to stay all four years and graduate. As the years went on, the kids all worked to help each other through college. When the six Bartons got married and had children, 15 of those children attended BJU. Among the third generation—the grandkids—seven have attended so far, including Michael Reem, a junior accounting major.

The Barton family's story is one of many. Here are a couple of other families with a BJU tradition.

The Gurganus/Greene Women

Gracen Greene, an art major who will graduate in May, and her two older brothers knew that they would follow in their parents' footsteps by attending BJU—at least if they wanted their parents to help pay for their college educations! Their mom, Lydia (Gurganus) Greene ('75 grad), had heard the same thing from her parents, Gene and Beth (English) Gurganus, who graduated from BJU in '53 and '56, respectively.

Much has changed over the years since Beth was a student in the '50s. Take dining, for one: Beth and her fellow students attended all three meals at fixed times in the dining common, and they did not have the smorgasbord of menu options

that students enjoy today. "You sat down and they brought the food to you," she says. "You didn't have a choice, and you didn't mumble about it!" Gracen, on the other hand, never went to breakfast in her recent student days, but she did take advantage of Grab 'N Go—a "walk-through" system open till mid-morning, offering brown bags to fill with bagels or muffins and fresh fruit, along with Styrofoam cups for juice or coffee. Her mom, Lydia, attended in the days of assigned seats for Sunday dinner—she says it was a good thing, especially for students who'd never practiced manners!—but that tradition had also been set aside by the time Gracen was a student.

Each of the three women has known a different BJU president: Dr. Bob Jr. for Beth, Dr. Bob III for Lydia, and both Dr. Bob III and Dr. Stephen Jones for Gracen. Lydia sang in a radio choir, and Gracen played flute in the Concert Band but limited other extracurricular activities in order to spend most of her time in the Sargent Art Building.

Grandmother, mother and daughter all wore skirts and hose to classes, but Beth and Lydia additionally had to have a supply of hats for the formal Sunday morning services. Methods of communicating with those back home have also changed: Beth kept in touch with her family by writing letters, and so did Lydia—and she also sent them a telegram when she got engaged to Scott Greene. Gracen e-mails her family or talks to them on her cell phone while walking to work at BJ HomeSat, where she creates costumes for characters appearing in satellite-based distance learning programs (which didn't exist in either Beth's or Lydia's school days).

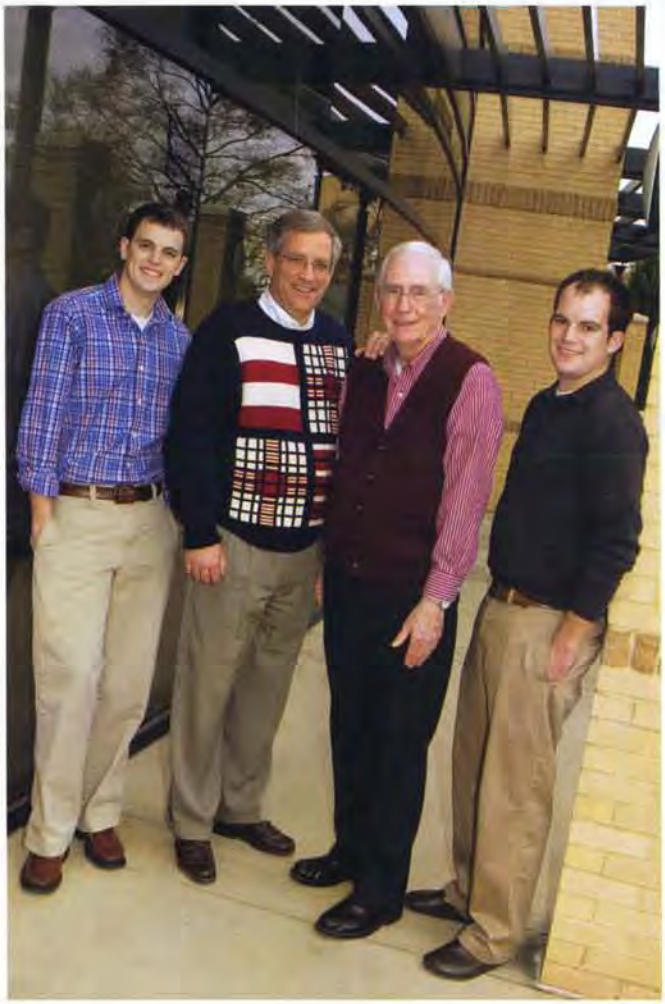
BJU had been on the Greenville campus only five years when Beth came, and "there were little tiny saplings and lots of mud," she remembers—a marked contrast to the towering oaks and beautiful landscaping Gracen has known. Beth lived in Nell Sunday, one of only two women's dormitories at the time. She married Gene Gurganus halfway through her college years, and they persevered to finish their degrees and then went on to spend many years as missionaries in Bangladesh.

Lydia and Gracen continued the Nell Sunday tradition, although in Gracen's day there are five women's residence halls, and life there has changed a bit. "They always tell me I have it really easy with fewer bells (including no rising bell in the morning)," Gracen says. "They joke that the place is falling apart since we don't have to go to bed till 12!" She says her mom also reminisces about having to wax the floor of her then-uncarpeted room and waiting in line to use the one phone on the hall.

The Sipe Men

Attending BJU runs in the Sipe family as well. It all started when Dick Sipe moved to Greenville with his wife and three young sons to attend BJU, graduating in 1968 at age 35. His sons attended BJU in the '70s and '80s, and several of his grandchildren have come recently, including present students Quentin and Hunter.

"A lot of things have changed," Mr. Sipe says. "When I was in school, everyone wasn't standing around talking on their cell phones!" He was one of the many young men who attended BJU for ministerial training after returning from the Korean War. He and his family didn't know anyone when they first moved to Greenville, he says, and he didn't have a job. "For groceries, we were living on about eight or ten dollars a week. We drank a lot of powdered milk and ate a lot of rice! We learned to live by faith. I'm still living that way."



Having stayed on in Greenville after finishing his degree, Mr. Sipe has been able to observe BJU's development over the past 39 years. There were no covered sidewalks on the campus when he was in school, and not all of the buildings were air conditioned. Chapel was held in Rodeheaver Auditorium (the Founder's Memorial Amphitorium wasn't built until 1973) with overflow in the Concert Center, now known as Stratton Hall.

In some ways, however, the three generations of Sipes have had similar college days. For all four men, attending BJU has meant wearing ties to class, passing hair check, attending concerts and plays, and reciting the same creed in chapel. All four have been day students rather than residence hall students, and all have pursued training in ministry and/or music—Quentin is a practical Christian training major and Hunter a Bible major.

When Dick Sipe's son Eric was a music education major in the late '70s and early '80s, he traveled to area churches with a musical ensemble, sang in the "Show My People" choir for the TV program BJU had at the time, and served the student body as a class pianist. He now serves on the pastoral staff of Heritage Bible Church in Greer, S.C. He and his wife, Cindy (Hamilton, also an '82 grad), have seen all three of their children attend BJU.

Of the things that haven't changed at BJU, Eric sees the passion for exalting Jesus Christ that is nurtured by the school's leadership as the most important constant. "It may take on different shapes in different time periods, but the substance is the same: Christ is our hope, our confidence." ■

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Consider YOUR CALLING

Choosing a major at BJU can be overwhelming, even daunting, especially with more than 100 choices. Of course, the most important factor to consider is God's plan. In each issue, we'll give some real-life examples of how students chose their majors and how grads are using the talents God has given them to do what God has called them to do. They have "considered their calling."

Field: *Engineering*

Major Options: broadcast engineering management, computer engineering, electrical engineering and engineering science

Field Facts:

- BJU achieved a top-five finish in a major robotics competition this year, competing against such schools as Wake Forest and Viginia Tech.
- There are more than two million engineers in the United States.
- "Embedded systems are the future! These are systems in places such as cars, stereo systems and microwave ovens that contain some type of computer chip that controls them. The new Mercedes S-class has 63 microprocessors."—Dr. Bill Lovegrove, engineering department head

Grad: Peter Waldschmidt, B.S. electrical engineering, '98, BJU
Co-founder and vice president of technology and development, TetraData Corporation, Greenville, S.C.

"In the field of software, you must never stop learning because the field is constantly advancing. It's important, though, to step outside of engineering and make sure you are well-rounded in your knowledge. Often, the most important innovations result from combining existing technologies from multiple fields of study."

Heather Barnett, senior English major from Greenville, S.C.
"I believe that God brought me into this major because of my analytical and communication skills. After graduation, I plan to teach English in China with English Teachers for Asia, and I hope to further my education someday."

Faculty Profile
Dr. Ray St. John, English
43 years at BJU
B.A. English, '63, M.A. Christian Education, '65, BJU; A.M. English, '70, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor; Ph.D. English, '75, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill

Phil Woodhull, senior electrical engineering major from Taylors, S.C. "I've always had a rather creative mind, and although I hated math for the first 10 years of school, it actually became fun for me at the end of high school. I believe that electrical engineering is God's highest calling for me because of the specific abilities and interests He's allowed me to have."

Future goals: "I want to apply what I've learned in the field of digital sound and video."

Faculty Profile
Dr. Bill Lovegrove, Engineering
19 years at BJU
B.S. physics, '84, BJU; M.S. electrical engineering, '86, and Ph.D. engineering, '90, Clemson Univeristy

Field: *English/ Humanities*

Major Options: humanities, English, broadcast journalism, creative writing, print journalism, public relations journalism, publishing, technical writing

Field Facts:

- From translation to editing and from freelance writing to public relations, the degree programs in this field prepare students for using the English language in numerous ways for God's glory.
- "We sometimes have prospective students ask what they can do with a humanities major. The question should be, what *can't* you do?"—Dr. Caren Silvester, humanities advisor
- Humanities and English grads pursue a variety of opportunities—medical school, law school and multi-national companies are just a few.
- Companies are looking for grads who can think critically and creatively and can communicate their ideas in a variety of social settings. A humanities or English degree packages all of these skills into one program.

Grad: Sarah Miller, B.A. humanities, '99, and M.A. English, '01, BJU
Textbook author/editor, foreign language department, People's Education Press, Beijing, China

"Not only was humanities an excellent preparation for my editing position, but it has also been a valuable source for me to draw on as I meet people from all walks of life in Beijing. I have found that a broad base of knowledge makes it possible to relate to everyone I meet."

Take a look at the insert card in the middle of the BJU Review for a full list of majors.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BJU's Institutional Goals:
Strengthening Students in Truth

One of my great-grandfather's primary burdens in founding BJU was that it be an educational institution that reinforces each student's faith, rather than undermining it. BJU's institutional goals serve to keep that objective before the current faculty and staff.

BJU's primary goal is to **inspire regenerated students to know, love and serve Jesus Christ.** A truly Christian education requires that the campus family have the most important thing—salvation—in common.

BJU's second goal is **to strengthen each student's belief in the truths of God's Word.** We approach each academic subject with the presupposition that while men may uncover previously unknown facets of truth, these "discoveries" apprehend only what already exists and will never contravene the truth of God's Word or works. It is with this confidence that the Christian may approach all fields of knowledge without fear that secular facts will somehow threaten the revelations of Scripture. That is an impossibility.

Another daily goal here is to **direct students toward a biblical life view that integrates God's Truth into practical Christian living.** The world at large subscribes to a relativistic view of life, often marginalizing those who hold to fixed, objective Truth. Strangely, many do not seem to realize that a person can place confidence in what he learns only if he views his new knowledge from a fixed reference point. BJU begins with the Scripture and actively seeks to impress upon students the implications of that Truth for daily living.

A key focus of that effort is to **develop in students Christlike character through disciplined, Spirit-filled living.** When you boil it down, Christian living is each believer's imitation of God. The Bible establishes that Christians must follow God (Eph. 5:1) and imitate His nature, becoming living pictures of His justice, holiness, mercy and love (Prov. 21:3, I Pet. 1:16, Mic. 6:8, John 13:34–35).

In each of the above goals, the objective extends beyond mental mastery. Even unsaved men and women are capable of intellectually grasping Christianity. The truths of Scripture, however, were never intended to be solely cerebral. A true follower of Christ must respond to Bible knowledge with biblical living. Therefore, BJU seeks to mirror the emphasis of Scripture in both areas: what one knows and how one lives.
—Stephen Jones

ITINERARIES

DR. STEPHEN JONES

INDIA
Bangalore
March 5–8
Berean Baptist Bible College
(Conference and Graduation)

SINGAPORE
Singapore
May 30–June 1
FBFI Meeting

Singapore
June 1–5
Jesus Saves Mission
(Family Conference)

ARIZONA
Phoenix
April 10
Friendship Dinner

CALIFORNIA
Los Angeles
April 12
Friendship Dinner

Oakland
April 16
Friendship Dinner

COLORADO
Denver
April 19
Friendship Dinner

HAWAII
Honolulu
June 8
Friendship Dinner

ILLINOIS
Kankakee
February 25
Calvary Baptist Church

MISSOURI
St. Louis
April 9
Friendship Dinner

NORTH CAROLINA
Winston-Salem
February 20
Friendship Dinner

OHIO
Akron
March 27
Friendship Dinner

OREGON
Portland
April 14
Friendship Dinner

PENNSYLVANIA
Lansdale
February 21
Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary
(National Leadership Conf.)

UTAH
Salt Lake City
April 17
Friendship Dinner

VIRGINIA
Norfolk
May 20, am
Grace Baptist Church

WASHINGTON
Seattle
April 13
Friendship Dinner

DR. BOB JONES III

SINGAPORE
Singapore
June 1–5
Jesus Saves Mission
(Family Conference)

GEORGIA
Hampton
April 3
Bible Baptist Church
(FBFI Regional Meeting)

Holly Springs
February 25
Community Baptist Church

ILLINOIS
Danville
March 8–11
Faith Baptist Church
(Illiana Bible Conference)

MARYLAND
Darlington
May 12–13, am
The Evangelical Methodist Church of Dublin
(Men's Meeting)

Hagerstown
April 15
Wayside Baptist Church
(Church Anniversary)

MICHIGAN
Madison Heights
March 4
Community Baptist Church
(Church Anniversary)

NORTH CAROLINA
Apex
May 6
Catawba Springs Christian Church
(Homecoming)

Raleigh
May 25
Friendship Christian School
(Graduation)

PENNSYLVANIA
Bellefonte
June 8
Centre County Christian Academy
(Commencement)

Pottstown
May 13, pm
Calvary Baptist Church

SOUTH CAROLINA
Prosperity
April 1, am
First Baptist Church

West Columbia
April 20–22
Grace Baptist Church
(Couples Conference)

MRS. BOB JONES III

SINGAPORE
Singapore
June 1–5
Jesus Saves Mission
(Family Conference)

ILLINOIS
Godfrey
April 13–14
Faith Baptist Church
(Ladies Retreat)

INDIANA
Indianapolis
March 9–10
Colonial Hills Baptist Church
(Ladies Retreat)

NORTH CAROLINA
Brevard
March 16–17
The Wilds
(Ladies Retreat)

SOUTH CAROLINA
West Columbia
April 20–22
Grace Baptist Church
(Couples Conference)

VIRGINIA
Rochelle
April 26–28
Rapidan Baptist Camp
(Ladies Retreat)

SPRING DRAMA TEAM

ARKANSAS
Clarksville
April 18
First Landmark Missionary Baptist Church

Little Rock
April 19
Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church

IOWA
Ankeny
March 25, pm
Ankeny Baptist Church

Bonaparte
March 22
Heritage Baptist Church

indicates a Friendship Dinner

Dates and locations are accurate as the issue goes to press. Due to time considerations, those services scheduled after that date have not been included. For an updated itineraries list, visit our website at www.bju.edu.

Cedar Rapids
March 21
Friendship Baptist Church

Corydon
March 25, am
Corydon Bible Church

KANSAS

Abilene
April 1, pm
Abilene Bible Baptist Church

Clay Center
April 1, am
Emmanuel Independent Baptist Church

Hoisington
April 5
Hoisington Bible Church

Manhattan
April 4
Faith Baptist Church

Newton
April 8, pm
Meridian Baptist Church

Wichita
April 8, am
Cornerstone Baptist Church

MINNESOTA

Cambridge
March 11, am
Calvary Baptist Church

Owatonna
March 14
Grace Baptist Church

Saint Paul
March 11, pm
Faith Baptist Church

Westbrook
March 18, pm
Immanuel Baptist Church

Winona
March 15
Calvary Baptist Church

MISSOURI

Independence
March 28
Tri-City Baptist Church

NEBRASKA

Lincoln
March 29
Heritage Baptist Church

OKLAHOMA

Lawton
April 12
Bible Baptist Church

Tulsa
April 11
South Lakewood Baptist Church

SOUTH DAKOTA

Sioux Falls
March 18, am
Grace Baptist Church

TENNESSEE

Franklin
April 29, pm
Trinity Baptist Church

Joelton
April 25
Charity Baptist Church

Memphis
April 22, pm
Heritage Baptist Church

Morristown
April 29, am
Peace Free Will Baptist Church

Ripley
April 22, am
Maranatha Baptist Church

WISCONSIN

Antigo
March 1
Liberty Baptist Church

Greendale
February 28
Greendale Baptist Church

Menomonee Falls
February 21
Calvary Baptist Church

Pembine
March 4, pm
Faith Baptist Church

Peshtigo
March 4, am
Grover Community Church

Silver Lake
February 22
Community Baptist Church

Stoughton
March 7
Bible Baptist Church of Utica

Sturtevant
February 27
Calvary Baptist Church

Union Grove
February 25, pm
Union Grove Baptist Church

Waupaca
March 8
First Baptist Church of Waupaca

Whitewater
February 25, am
Kettle Moraine Baptist Church

SPRING MUSIC TEAM

NEW JERSEY

Bayonne
February 25, am
Grace Bible Fellowship Church

Leonardo
February 22
Ocean View Community Church

Monroeville
February 21
Hardingville Bible Church

Parsippany
February 25, pm
Parsippany Baptist Church

NEW YORK

Allegany
March 13
Five Mile Baptist Church

Bergen
March 11, pm
Bethel Baptist Church

Binghamton
March 4, am
Central Baptist Church

Cheektowaga
March 14
Hedstrom Baptist Church

Cincinnatus
March 4, pm
First Baptist Church of Cincinnatus

Gloversville
March 1
Adirondack Baptist Church

Mohawk
March 7
Emmanuel Bible Church

New Hartford
March 8
Bible Baptist Church

North Rose
March 11, am
Sunnyside Baptist Church

PENNSYLVANIA

Aliquippa
April 29, pm
Community Bible Church

Athens
March 22
Calvary Baptist Church

Boswell
April 12
Laurel Hill Gospel Tabernacle

Carnegie
April 29, am
Bible Baptist Church

Centre Hall
April 18
Calvary Bible Church

Clymer
April 22, pm
Calvary Baptist Church

Denver
April 11
Cornerstone Bible Church

Erie
March 15
Walnut Creek Baptist Church

Greensburg
April 26
Church of the Open Door

Huntingdon
April 24
Calvary Independent Baptist Church

Hustontown
April 19
Dublin Mills Community Church

Lansdale
March 28
Calvary Baptist Church

Lewisburg
March 18, pm
Faith Baptist Church

Limerick
April 15, am
Limerick Chapel

Marion Center
April 22, am
Bethany Chapel

Middletown
April 5
Open Door Bible Church

Milanville
March 25, pm
Calkins Union Baptist Church

Millville
March 18, am
Emmanuel Baptist Church

Moscow
March 21
First Baptist Church of Hollisterville

Mount Pleasant
April 25
Mount Carmel Community Church

Narvon
April 1, pm
Twin Valley Bible Chapel

Parkesburg
April 1, am
Highland Baptist Church

Pen Argyl
March 25, am
Slate Belt Nazareth Baptist Church

Pottstown
April 4
Calvary Baptist Church

Reading
April 8, am
Victory Baptist Church

Sellersville
April 15, pm
Bethel Baptist Church

Susquehanna
March 29
Brushville Baptist Church

West Chester
April 8, pm
Bible Baptist Church

MIKE SHROCK
Staff Evangelist

CALIFORNIA

Armona
May 13–16
New Testament Baptist Church

Escondido
May 20
Fundamental Baptist Church

Fresno
May 18–19
Master's Men Conference

CONNECTICUT

West Hartford
April 29–May 2
Farmington Avenue Baptist Church (Missions Conference)

MICHIGAN

Davison
April 21–22
Faith Baptist Church (Great Lakes Youth Conference)

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Durham
June 3–6
First Free Will Baptist Church

NEW JERSEY

Hackensack
April 30
Hackensack Christian Schools

NORTH CAROLINA

Asheboro
February 28
Fayetteville Street Christian School

Asheville
May 7
Temple Baptist School

Hickory
April 25
Tabernacle Baptist Church (Youth Service)

Lexington
March 15
Union Grove Christian School

PENNSYLVANIA

Grove City
March 18–21
First Baptist Church

RHODE ISLAND

Warwick
May 1
First Baptist Christian School

SOUTH CAROLINA

Greenville
February 26
Hampton Park Christian School

Greenville
February 11–14
Sonpoint Baptist Fellowship

Landrum
March 29
Grace Christian School

Spartanburg
March 30
Westgate Christian School

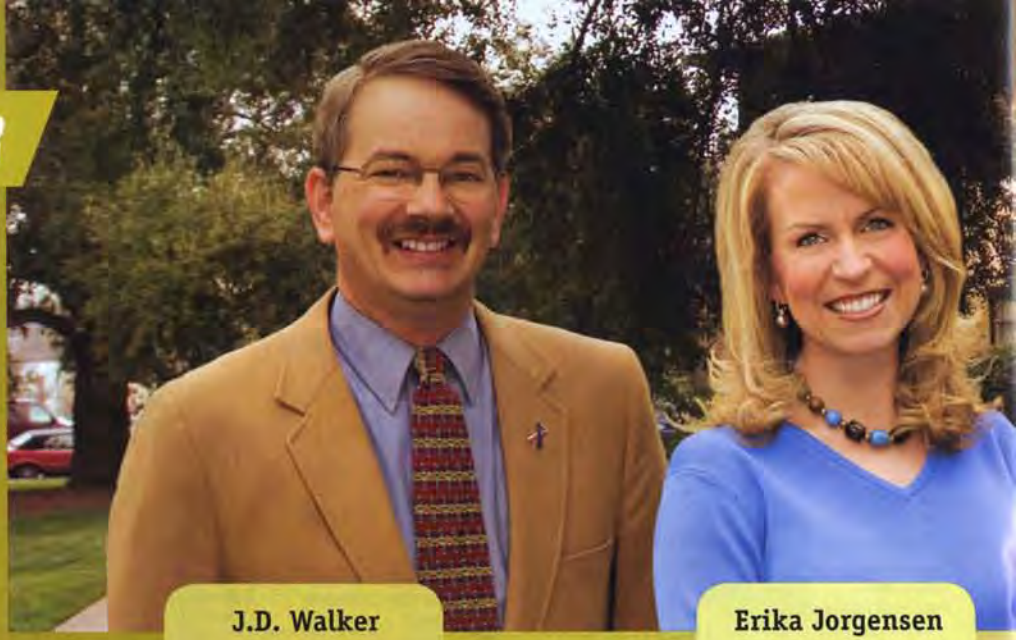
TENNESSEE

Kingsport
April 16
Cedar View Christian School

SERVING TOGETHER

With more than 4,000 students, it takes a large staff to keep BJU running—1,380 to be exact. That represents nearly 42,000 hours of work each week! With that many people working side by side for that many hours, it also takes dedication and a spirit of serving to fulfill the mission of BJU—developing Christlike character.

Human Resources is the place to go to find one of the thousands of jobs filled by faculty, staff and graduate assistants. HR is also responsible for making sure they all get paid. And speaking of **Finances**, not only does it take a lot of people to keep things going—it takes money. Whether a student needs to cash a check or a parent needs to pay a bill, the Business Office serves employees and students of BJU year-round by getting their money to where it needs to be.



J.D. Walker

Purchasing/Receiving Expediter: "I aid in the purchasing and receiving of item used by the many departments at BJU. I am also the 'eBay guy'—I sell items on eBay for the University. One of the largest items I sold was an ambulance."
Previous work experience: "I have made Dinty Moore beef stew and managed a Waffle House."

Education: B.S. Bible, '84, Pillsbury Baptist Bible College
Years at BJU: 17

Ministry/Job
Favorite part of working at BJU: Serving the Lord in a Christian atmosphere and the eternal benefits of doing His will
Interaction with students: "I enjoy having an impact on our many student workers."

Family
Wife: Evanna (Joss); Children: Jessie (15), Willy (10)
"Our family enjoys walking around downtown Greenville and eating at our favorite pizza place, Bertolo's."

Personal
Hobbies: Collecting Coca-Cola memorabilia; spending time at our family cabin in Michigan.
Church ministries: Missionary care committee; offering counting team
Favorite book: Anything by Louis L'Amour

Erika Jorgensen

Development Officer, Office of Advancement: "I encourage alumni and friends of the University who desire to assist us financially in reaching our goal of training young people to serve Christ."

Education: B.S. music education, piano proficiency, '97, and M.Ed. music education, '99, BJU
Years at BJU: 9

Ministry/Job
Favorite part of job: Event planning
Interaction with students: "I enjoy working with the students receiving financial assistance."
Why do you work at BJU? God has directed my steps to work in the ministry at BJU

Family
Single
Originally from Bothell, Wash.
"A fun family tradition is to sing at least two versions of 'Happy Birthday' for each family member's special day. Within our family, my mom is famous for her rendition."

Personal
Hobbies: Piano, exercise, tennis, softball, making jewelry
Church ministries: Music, cleaning crew
Community involvement: Children's Bible club in neighborhood
Favorite book: *Waiting on God*, Andrew Murray

Chris Baker

Financial Aid Director: "I assist the students who are in need of financial aid or loans. I also handle monetary gifts to students."

Education: B.A. Bible, '73, BJU
Years at BJU: 30

Ministry/Job
Favorite part of working at BJU: Being a part of God's miracle
Least favorite part of job: E-mail!
Interaction with students: "Many times, when a student doesn't have the money to pay his bill, I have an opportunity to help him see God provide."
Favorite campus event: Heritage Day

Family
Wife: Sandy (Myrick); Children: Rebekah, Dan, Beth, Sarah, Debbie; two grandchildren
"We enjoy getting all the kids and grandkids together for the holidays."

Personal
Hobby: Golf
Church ministries: Elder
Favorite book: *The Pilgrim's Progress,* John Bunyan
Interesting fact: "I married my college English tutorial teacher."

Sheryl Kane

Human Resources—Graduate Assistant Coordinator: "I work with prospective GAs and the departments that hire them, assisting with both job placement and housing for the GAs. I'm sometimes referred to as the 'GA Mom.'"

Education: B.S. business education, '70, BJU
Years at BJU: 38

Ministry/Job
Favorite part of job: Meeting new people and working with college-aged young people
Favorite part of working at BJU: Friendships with other Christians

Family
Husband: Richard; Children: Scott, Michelle, Brian, John; seven grandchildren
"Our family tries very hard to get together for as many birthdays, holidays and vacations as possible—we enjoy creating memories."

Personal
Hobbies: Playing the piano, hiking with husband—"We are trying to visit every waterfall in South Carolina."
Church ministries: Church choir, Women for Missions
Favorite book genre: Missionary stories

Cheryl Rude

Business Office Supervisor: "I manage all the billing and the Business Office personnel."

Years at BJU: 31

Ministry/Job
Favorite part of job: Solving problems and helping people
Favorite part of working at BJU: "The people, especially the people in the Business Office—they're like family."
Interaction with students: "We have a very close group here in the Business Office. I enjoy having the student workers over to my home—they're a great bunch!"
Previous work experience: Teller at Bank of America

Family
Husband: Terry; Children: Paul, Tim, Christy; seven grandchildren
Originally from Paso Robles, Calif.
"Our family spends a lot of time enjoying the outdoors together—fishing, hunting and running. We also enjoy playing games together."

Personal
Hobbies: Being outdoors
Church ministries: Nursery, Bible study, Sunday school
Community involvement: Volunteer at historical museum in Greenville
Favorite book genre: Historical fiction

Societies:
The Inside Story

"How does your society do in sports?"
"What is your society ministry?"
"How big is your society?"
"What makes your society better than all the others?"

During Rush Week, every freshman wants to know what each society is like before he selects one to call his own for the next four years. But before arriving on campus and experiencing the bombardment of people, food and fun, many incoming students have only one question: **What is a society, anyway?**

Societies are a way to break down the student body into small groups, because making friends and organizing activities is easier in a small group. BJU has 22 men's societies and 24 women's societies, each made up of a unique group of students with a common bond. "Societies draw people together and allow them to work together," says Eric Newton, director of Activities and Organizations. "The purpose of societies is to encourage productive, cooperative, godly relationships."

Some societies have 25 or 30 members; others have 150 or more. Many people prefer a smaller society for the closeness and personal feeling of a small group, while other students find a larger society to be the right fit. "I joined a small society with a friend with the hope of doing great things," says Matt Wilday, sergeant-at-arms for the Omicron Epsilon Chi Wolverines this past semester. Both large and small societies offer unique opportunities for even the newest members to become involved and make a difference. "When I was a freshman," Matt says, "the society president took me under his wing and took me to officers meetings, whether they were on or off campus. I wanted to continue doing that for other guys."

What do societies do?

Societies present many opportunities for members to get involved. The trend is for larger societies to excel in sports, but that's not always the case. A small society with athletic talent can fare just as well as a bigger society. Societies play one another in soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball and other sports; but athletics aren't everything, says Lydia White, first-semester president of the Theta

Delta Omicron Tigers. "We really focus on relationships." Relationships are a key part of societies. Randy Vawter, chaplain of the Zeta Alpha Pi Skyhawks, says that society "gets me in touch with people from all walks of life and not just people in my major." Societies bring together what Randy calls a "broad cross section" of students from different majors, interests, talents and all parts of the globe.

Academic opportunities are also available in intersociety debate and in Scholastic Bowl, a trivia contest. Each society also hosts a stag outing for members only and a dating outing each year, so organizing and planning events is another area in which members can get involved. "As president, I learned to stay on top of things and communicate," Lydia says. "At the beginning of the semester, our athletic director was doing a lot in front of society. Some of the girls thought she was our president—and I realized, 'Hey, I need to be the one up there!'"

Societies have weekly meetings on Friday mornings, prayer meetings on Wednesday evenings, and Sunday school. Because each society has its own personality based on its membership, meetings are styled differently and vary greatly among the societies—quirky traditions, exciting games and cheers can make up "business as usual" for Friday society meetings. "Our spirit leader decides what happens on Fridays," says Matt, who held the position prior to his other offices. Lydia Gallion says her society, the Tri Epsilon Pirates, likes action games to get moving and name games to learn new members' names.

Sunday school and prayer meetings give society members the chance to grow together spiritually as well. "I help the guys move toward the purpose of glorifying God and

Officers

Every society has an elected group of officers that leads the members. Although the exact number of positions varies according to the society's needs, every society has the following:

- President
- Vice President
- Chaplain
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Chorister
- Athletic Director
- Spirit Leader
- Sergeant-at-Arms

Some societies also designate members for roles such as historian and public relations manager. Members vote on society officers for each semester through a nomination and voting process. Officers can have a great influence on the tone of a society. "I really think the president sets the spiritual tone," says Mr. Newton. "If he's the one who denies himself when the ref makes a bad call on the court, he'll be seen as a courageous leader."

Holding an office in society is a great responsibility, but it's also an opportunity for leadership development. "Being an officer has made me aware of the different backgrounds and convictions other people hold and how I need to minister in a way that doesn't offend them," Randy says. "I've had to think seriously about some issues I wouldn't have if I weren't an officer." Lydia Gallion says her term as an officer forced her to grow. "At the beginning of the semester, I was very nervous and felt inadequate. Being chorister helped me be more comfortable in front of people and share what God has been teaching me."

guide everything to that purpose," Randy says. "I love being able to tell a guy, 'Here's a way you can better serve God.'"

Lydia Gallion says that in her position as chorister, she tried "to help the girls think about worship and get their minds and hearts in the direction of the challenge to come. It's a lot of work, but it's rewarding."

Some societies also have extension ministries in which members go to retirement homes, detention centers, children's homes and other places. The term "extension" is used because students "extend" the ministry of BJU beyond the campus and into the community. Serving others as a society gives members a chance to grow together. Sometimes ministering to the needs of others means staying on campus: "We do something called 'Secret Servants,' where we help people out," Matt says, "whether it's picking up trash around the dumpsters or reading to people who live in Barge Memorial Hospital. The goal isn't glory for ourselves—it's serving others."

"Now that I know what a society is and what it does, how do I join one?"

During the first week of school, each of the men's and women's societies sets up a booth so new undergraduate students can come by and see what the members are like. Some societies cheer and make noise to attract attention. Others serve lots of food. Freshmen can ask questions of the members and find out what each society is all about. But there's more to know about societies than size and sports records. Rush Week is each freshman's one-time opportunity to get to know the people in each society and see them in action before choosing which one to join. "You need a balanced perspective," Mr. Newton says. "Don't be overwhelmed by the decision, but don't take it lightly. Be discerning as you look for opportunities where you can grow."

At the end of Rush Week, each freshman is faced with the decision of choosing a society for the next four years. Some know from the very beginning which society they will join. Others waffle between two societies and don't choose until the last minute. Whatever the case, when each society's name is read off at the induction assembly, a representative escorts the freshmen to the induction site. Every society has different induction night traditions, from waterslides to games and cheers, but the point of all of them is to welcome the newest members and congratulate them on making the "best" choice.

"Society is what you make of it. Look at it as an opportunity," Mr. Newton says. "A successful society is not necessarily the one with the most members. It's the one that sees consistent growth in the members it has."

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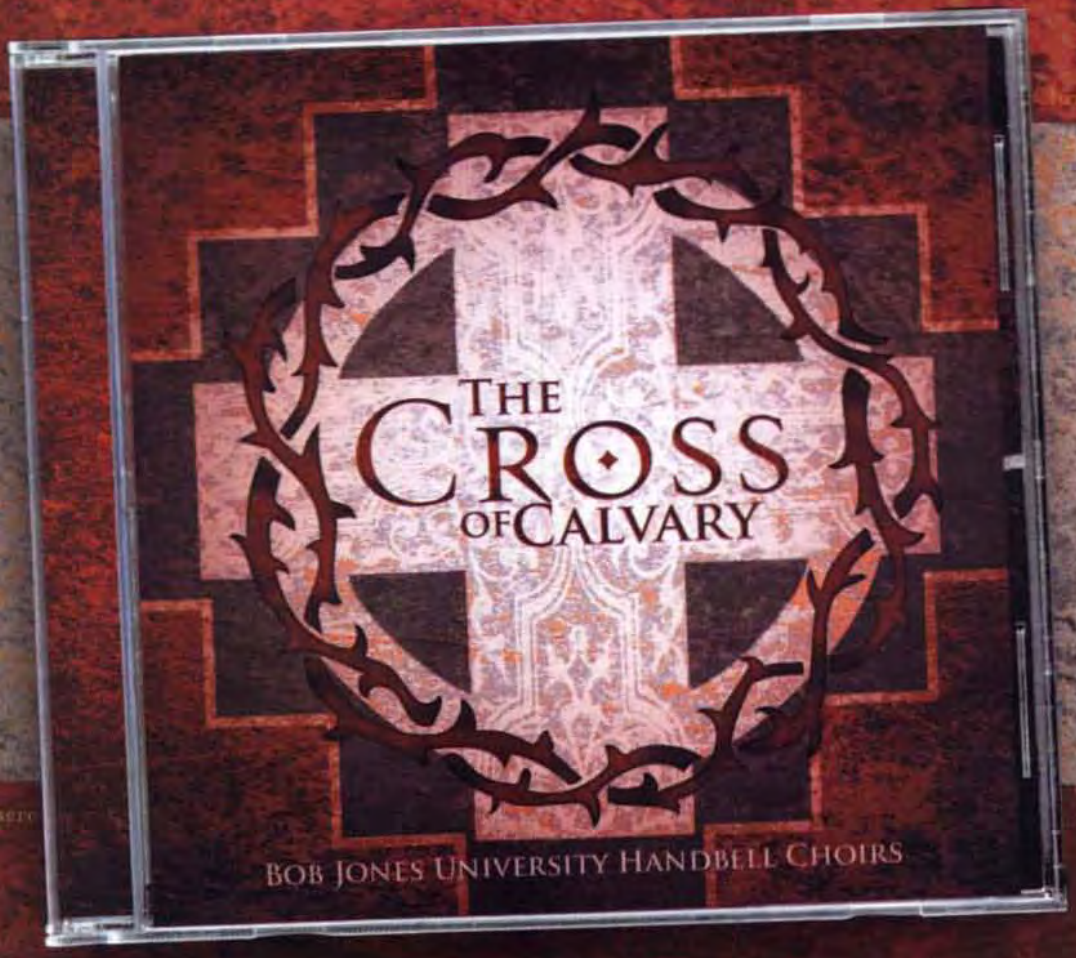

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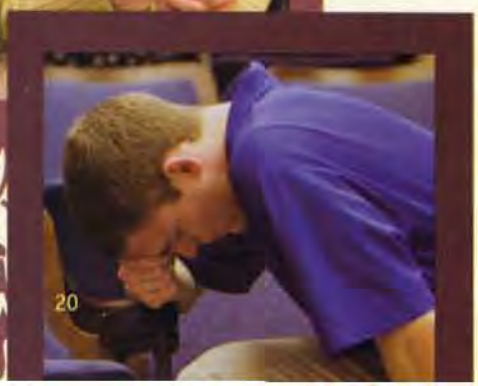
Once in the fall and once in the spring, the BJU calendar includes a Day of Prayer, when students and faculty attend morning and afternoon sessions designed to help them refocus on what really matters in life. A typical Day of Prayer includes chapels, a singspiration and prayer sessions that split the student body into smaller groups based on different classifications. Following are excerpts from testimonies given in a Day of Prayer praise service on Nov. 8, 2006.

Andrew Scot Miller
Sophomore, pastoral studies major
Gaston, Ind.
Praising God for financial provision

The summer after my freshman year, I made just enough money to pay my current school bills but had nothing left to pay off a $2,545.68 loan I'd had to take out the previous semester. I applied for and received a $2,000 grant, but God didn't stop providing there. That same day, two relatives each paid $250 toward my loan, and then my cousin told me that he knew God wanted him to give me $45. When the teller at the Business Office told me that my balance was $.68, I happened to have three quarters in my wallet, so I went ahead and paid it off myself!

I had gotten over the first mountain, but my next bill was for $2,400. I had no clue what was going to happen next, but God did. He sent me an anonymous gift of $350 and then $300 from my parents. My friends, roommates, society brothers and youth group all prayed hard. One week before my bill was due, I received two gifts, one for $400 and the other for $1,000. God was showing me that there is no good reason for not trusting Him.



When I went to the Business Office to check my balance, which I thought was $366.88, the teller said, "You have a $500 credit." His screen showed three new gifts: $366, $90 and $36. Along with a rebate I had coming, these gifts put me in the positive and gave me a head start on the next month's bill. I don't know how He did it, but I do know that God accomplished it. "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee" (Ps. 67:3).

Emily Byrd
Sophomore, piano pedagogy major
Hartsville, S.C.
Praising God for ministry opportunities

"And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I be loved" (2 Cor. 12:15). As I stepped off the bus to volunteer at the Farm Fest youth rally, I sensed that many of the teens were indifferent toward God. As I watched them walk around to different activities, I prayed that God would help me see them as He sees them.

Those of us running the games had been challenged to be the "bridge" between the games and the services by talking to the teens and getting to know them. One boy I met, James, had an attitude typical of many others. He was one of the many who seemed to hate everything and everybody. During the last service, I prayed with other volunteers for the teens we had met, including James.

When the invitation was given, I saw James get up and go forward. I have no idea what God was doing in his life, but James was taking the first step to surrender. What an encouragement to see God answer prayer right before my eyes! Most of what happened in the lives of the young people we will never know about on this side of eternity, but God was definitely at work. Farm Fest is over, but God is still working in the hearts of the teens. ■

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See U at the South Pole

Although there are more killer whales, seals and penguins in Antarctica than there are prospective BJU students, Major David Panzera of the New York Air National Guard (NYANG) has honored BJU by representing it in what he calls "the final frontier for us on earth." Maj. Panzera, husband of '91 grad Wendy (Parker), flew a bright blue BJU flag at the South Pole in 1998 and again in February 2006 on two of his routine trips to McMurdo Station, the main U.S. base in Antarctica.

Major Panzera, who served five years in the Air Force before joining the NYANG 13 years ago, has flown the 11,000 miles to Antarctica two or three times a year every year since 1994, staying for at least a month each time. He says that leaving behind Wendy and their five children, aged 3 to 13, is the hardest part of his Antarctic assignments, especially since the continent's summer "travel season" of October through February keeps him from spending some holidays with his family.

Flying the BJU flag at the South Pole is a symbolic representation of BJU's commitment to take God's truth to the "uttermost parts of the earth," Major Panzera says. The frozen continent features ice two and a half to three miles thick and an average summer temperature of 40 degrees below zero ("I've seen it as hot as 27 below," he says wryly).

"Antarctica is a forbidding and dangerous place," he says. "Taking a flag is like taking BJU along to a place where few people have ever been. The awesomeness and purity of Antarctica only solidify my faith in the God Who created it."

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